



**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re of:

<b>Application No.:</b>	10/570,664	<b>Examiner:</b>	Kaitlin S. Joerger
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<b>For:</b>	APPARATUS FOR PROCESSING SHEET MATERIAL		

**RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION OF MARCH 17, 2008**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

**INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS**

This is responsive to the Office Action mailed March 17, 2008 concerning the above-identified application. This response is timely in view of a petition to enlarge the shortened statutory period for response submitted herewith, including the requisite fee. Reconsideration of the rejection of the claims presented in this application is respectfully requested in view of the amendments and comments presented herein.

**AMENDMENTS**

**AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION**

The specification is amended as shown in the following pages under the heading "AMENDMENTS TO SPECIFICATION."

**AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS**

The claims are amended as shown on the following pages under the heading "LIST OF CURRENT CLAIMS". This listing of claims supersedes all prior listings of claims presented in this application and shows the status of all currently presented claims and currently proposed amendments to the claims.